Rs. 83.59 crore each for the current financial year have been released to the State Government on 9.5.2005 and 5.8.2005 respectively. In addition, an amount of Rs.916.41 crore (Rs. 500 crore on 28.7.05 and Rs. 416.41 crore on 05.08.05) has been released to the Government of Maharashtra from NCCF on an *ad hoc* basis for management of floods.

Upon receipt of Memorandum from the State Government, an Inter Ministerial Central Team will be deputed to assess the damage due to floods and requirement of funds by the State Government for relief operations. Action on the report of the Central Team would be taken as per the extant norms and laid down proceudre for release of funds from NCCF.

Persons killed in floods in Bihar and Maharashtra

2398. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons killed in floods in Bihar and Maharashtra;

(b) the total assistance both the States received from the Centre for rehabilitation of the effected persons; and

(c) whether the relief provided have been received by the needy persons?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY) : (a) As per information received from the Government of Maharashtra, 1094 human lives are reported to have been lost in the State up to 12th August, 2005 due to recent heavy rains/floods. As regards Bihar, there are no reports of any loss of human life due to heavy rains/floods in the State in the current South West Monsoon-2005.

(b) and (c) As per the existing Scheme of Financing Relief Expenditure, the State Governments concerned are required to undertake necessary relief and rehabilitation measures in the areas affected by natural calamities, including floods, out of the corpus of the Calamity Relief Fund (CRF), which is contributed by the Government of India and the State Government in the ratio of 3:1. The distribution of relief on ground is the responsibility of the concerned State. The Government of India supplements the efforts of the State Governments by providing financial

and logistic support, wherever necessary. In case the calamity is of a severe nature and the funds available in the State's CRF account are not sufficient to deal with instant calamity, additional assistance is provided to the States out of the National Calamity Contingency Fund (NCCF), after following the laid down procedure.

Assistance given to Maharashtra during the year 2005-06:

The State Government of Maharashtra has been allocated an amount of Rs. 222.90 crore in the CRF in the year 2005-06 consisting of Rs. 167.18 crore as Central contribution and Rs. 55.73 crore as State contribution. Both the instalments of Central share of CRF amounting to Rs. 83.59 crore each for the current financial year have been released to the State Government on 9.5.2005 and 5.8.2005 respectively. In addition, an amount of Rs. 916.41 crore (Rs. 500 crore on 28.07.2005 and Rs. 416.41 crore on 05.08.05) has been released to the Government of Maharashtra from NCCF on an *ad hoc* basis for management of the floods.

Assistance given to Bihar during the year 2005-08:

The Government of Bihar has been allocated an amount of Rs. 148.93 crore in the CRF for the year 2005-06 consisting of Rs. 111.69 crore as Central contribution and Rs. 37.24 crore as State contribution. The first instalment of Central share of Rs. 55.85 crore for the current year has not been released to the State due to non submission of utilization certificate by the Government of Bihar.

Deployment of policemen for VIP security

† 2399. SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of policemen engaged in traffic and security arrangement, separately in Delhi;

(b) whether it is a fact that twice the number of policemen engaged in traffic control of Delhi are engaged in the security of VIPs and VVIPs;

(c) if so, whether it is also a fact that instead of decrease in the number

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.